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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVESU.S. House of Representatives
112th CongressEMPLOYEE
POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for meetings, speaking engagements, fact-finding trips or similar events in connection with official duties. You need not disclose government-funded or political travel on this form, or travel that is unrelated to official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report all privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those persons required to file them. In accordance with clause 5 of House Rule 25, complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, within **15 days** after travel is completed. The Clerk is to make these forms publicly available as soon as possible after they are received. *Obtain the dollar amounts from the sponsor; if exact dollar amounts are unavailable, provide a good faith estimate.*

Name of Employee (print or type): ANGELA RAMIREZName of Accompanying Family Member (if any): N/ARelationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____Date of Departure and Date of Return: Feb 19-27, 2011Dates at Personal Expense: N/AItinerary (cities of departure – destination – return): Washington, DC - Tel Aviv -Washington DCSponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)– Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): See attacheditinerary

Attached to this form are EACH of the following (signify "yes" for each item by checking the corresponding box):

1. ☒ the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form completed by trip sponsor, including all attachments;
2. ☐ the Privately-Sponsored Travel Approval Form completed by the employee; *and*
3. ☐ the Committee on Ethics letter approving my participation on this trip.

I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda (signify "yes" by checking box): ☐

If not, explain: _____

TRAVEL EXPENSES:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses
For employee:	4367.95 (air) 357.74 (ground)	1656	675
For accompanying family member:	N/A	N/A	N/A

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Specific Nature of Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For employee:	1778.78	meals (security, etc.), entrance fees, speaker honoraria, water, microphone/podiums, room rentals, security, snacks, tips, tour guide, hotel (security, etc.), misc
For accompanying family member:	N/A	N/A

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE: _____

DATE: _____

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed above were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

NAME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: _____

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: _____

DATE: _____

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Committee on Ethics

PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL: TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Angela Ramirez
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation
3. Travel destination(s): Washington DC - Tel Aviv - Washington, DC
4. a. Date of Departure and Date of Return: 2/19/11 - 2/27/11
- b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b. If yes, name of accompanying family member: _____
- c. Relationship to traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(c) on the Trip Sponsor form (i.e., the travel is being sponsored by an entity that employs a lobbyist)? ☐ Yes ☒ No This is about question 9b
- b. If yes, check one of the following: ☐ N/A - Sponsor checked 9(a) or 9(b)
- (1) Approval for one-night's lodging and meals is being requested: ☐ or
- (2) Approval for two-nights' lodging and meals is being requested: ☐
- If "(2)" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: _____
7. Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments (indicate that form is attached by checking box): ☒
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to your individual official or representational duties:
Learning about issues affecting the U.S.-Israeli relationship will be beneficial as I advise the Congressman on these topics.

9. FOR STAFF:

TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 2/2/11

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Signature of Employing Member

NOTE: This page must be submitted with your post-travel disclosure form within 15 days of your return, so you should maintain a photocopy of the completed form for your records.

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PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL: TRAVELER FORM
For Members, Officers, and Employees COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. *Please type form. Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392.*

YOUR COMPLETED REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN 14 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROPOSED DEPARTURE DATE. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 14 days before the trip commences.

Name of Traveler: Angela Ramirez

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Amj

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For staff, name of employing Member/Committee: Rep. Ben Ray Lujan

Office address: 330 CHOB

Phone number: (202) 225-6190

Email address of contact person: angela.ramirez@mail.house.gov

- ☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet and the traveler is a Member traveling to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 14 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee:

Committee on Ethics
U.S. House of Representatives
HT-2, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-7103 (phone)
(202) 225-7392 (fax)

AIEF EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR IN ISRAEL
U.S. SENIOR CONGRESSIONAL STAFF
FEBRUARY 19-27, 2011

Saturday, February 19, 2011

11:00 AM Flight departs from Washington, D.C.

12:07 PM Flight arrives in Newark, NJ

3:55 PM Flight departs from Newark, NJ

Sunday, February 20, 2011

Ben-Gurion Airport – Tel Aviv Area – Jerusalem

9:15 AM Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport

Transfer to Tel Aviv

En route

Setting the Stage

Welcome and Orientation with Tom Sawicki
 Director of Programming, Jerusalem Office

11:30 AM

*Israel's Transition to Sustainable
 Transportation*

Tour of Better Place.

Better Place is a company working with
 governments, businesses and energy
 companies to accelerate the transition to
 sustainable transportation.

1:30 PM

Depart for Jerusalem

2:15 PM

Lunch
 - at Abu Gosh

3:30 PM

Check in to the Inbal Hotel

5:00 PM

The Jewish Connection to the Land of Israel
Meeting with Dr. Ian Stern
Archaeologist
- at Yemin Moshe Conference Center

6:00 PM

Israel's Political Map
Meeting with David Horovitz
Editor-in-Chief, *The Jerusalem Post*
- at Yemin Moshe Conference Center

7:15 PM

Dinner
- at Montefiore

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

Monday, February 21, 2011

Jerusalem

7:45 AM

Depart hotel

8:00 AM

A View from the Prime Minister's Office
Breakfast with Mark Regev
International Media advisor to the
Prime Minister
- at Luciana

9:30 AM

Depart for Strategic Survey of Jerusalem
Part one: Old City and the Holy Basin

1:00 PM

Lunch
- at Bulghourji

2:15 PM

Part two: Outlying Neighborhoods and the
Security Barrier

3:45 PM

Depart for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

4:30 PM

Israeli Perspective on the Israel-Palestinian Conflict
Meeting with David Segal
Chief of Staff to Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, and
Ayelet Yehiav
Director, Center for Policy Research
-at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Avriel Hall

6:00 PM

Depart for hotel

7:00 PM

Depart for dinner

7:30 PM

Israel's Hi-Tech Miracle
Dinner with Saul Singer
Author, *Start Up Nation*
- at La Guta

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Jerusalem

7:30 AM

Breakfast on own at the hotel

8:15 AM

Depart for Yad Vashem

8:45 AM

Remembering the Victims of the Holocaust
Guided tour of Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial Museum

11:00 AM

Depart

11:30 AM

Gathering of Exiles: How Israel Integrates New Immigrants
Visit to Mevasseret Zion Immigrant Absorption Center and meet new immigrants

12:30 PM	Depart
1:00 PM	<p><i>Palestinian Perspective on the Arab- Israeli Conflict</i></p> <p>Lunch with Issa Kassissieh Deputy Head, Negotiations Support Unit, The Palestinian Authority - at the American Colony hotel, Pasha Hall</p>
2:30 PM	Depart for the Knesset
3:30 PM	<p><i>The Israeli Political Scene Today</i></p> <p>Meeting with Knesset Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MK Alex Miller – Israel Beiteinu ▪ MK Danny Danon – Likud ▪ MK Yoel Hasson – Kadima <p>Tour of the Knesset - at the Knesset, Meeting Room #1830</p>
5:30 PM	Depart for the hotel
6:45 PM	Depart hotel
7:00 PM	<p><i>The Palestinian Street</i></p> <p>Meeting with Khaled Abu Toameh Palestinian Affairs Correspondent <i>The Jerusalem Post</i> - at the Jerusalem office</p>
8:00 PM	Depart for dinner
8:15 PM	<p><i>Israel and its Neighbors:</i> <i>Political and Military Update</i></p> <p>Dinner with Avi Issacharoff Arab Affairs Correspondent, <i>Ha'aretz</i>, and Amos Harel Military Affairs Correspondent, <i>Ha'aretz</i> - at Olive and Fish</p>

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

Wednesday, February 23, 2011
Jerusalem – Tel Aviv

7:30 AM	Check out
8:15 AM	<i>Democracy vs. Asymmetrical Warfare</i> Breakfast with Daniel Reisner Public International Law Partner, Herzog, Fox, Neeman Law Firm - at the Inbal Hotel, Tavor Hall
9:30 AM	Depart for the town of Sderot
11:00 AM	<i>Living Under the Threat of Qassam Missiles</i> Visit to the town of Sderot
12:00 PM	Lunch with Chen Abrahams Local resident - at Kibbutz Kfar Aza Dining Hall
1:15 PM	Depart
2:45 PM	<i>Israel's Missile Defense System</i> Meeting with Col. (Ret.) Haim Moriya Missile Expert - at the Crown Plaza City Center Hotel
4:00 PM	<i>Strategic Overview</i> Meeting with Col. Shimon Arad Head, Regional Strategic Department. Strategic Division - at the Kirya
5:30 PM	Check in to the Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel

7:45 PM

The Israeli Mosaic

Dinner with Israelis from different walks of life
Anat Berko, Reuven Berko, Mati Gill, Osnat
Levtzion-Korach, Jon Medved, Boaz Miller
- at The Olive Leaf

Overnight at the Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel

Thursday, February 24, 2011

Tel Aviv – Israel's North

Check out

8:00 AM

*U.S. Perspective on the Israeli-Palestinian
Negotiations*

Breakfast with Robert Silverman
Political Counselor, U.S. Embassy
- at the Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel, Topaz Hall

9:15 AM

Depart for Israel's North

10:15 AM

Israel's Quest for Defensible Borders
Visit to the West Bank settlement of
Alfei Menashe

11:00 AM

Depart

12:00 PM

Residential Education in Israel
Visit to the Yemin Orde Youth Village
Lunch with students

1:45 PM

Depart

4:00 PM

Northern Border Concerns
Strategic tour of Israel-Lebanon border with
Lieutenant Lital Shohat

Spokesperson, Galilee Division

6:30 PM Check in to the Galei Kinneret Hotel

7:30 PM Dinner
- at Decks

Overnight at the Galei Kinneret Hotel

Friday, February 25, 2011

Israel's North – Jerusalem

7:30 AM Breakfast on own at the hotel

Check out

8:30 AM *Historical Significance of the Sea of Galilee*
Depart for tour of historical sites around the
Sea of Galilee

10:30 AM *Israel's Northern Border Concerns*
Strategic tour of the Israel-Syria Border

1:00 PM Lunch
- at Habokrim, Kibbutz Merom Golan

2:00 PM Depart for Jerusalem

En route: Strategic Survey of Jordan Valley
Tour of Bet She'an Archaeological Site

4:30 PM Check in to the Inbal Hotel

6:00 PM *Shabbat in Jerusalem*
Depart for the Old City
Welcome the Sabbath at the Western Wall

7:30 PM *Reflections on Sabbath in Jerusalem*

Festive traditional Sabbath Eve dinner
 With Prof. Gil Troy
 Department of History, McGill University
 - at the home of Linda and Gil Troy

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

Saturday, February 26, 2011

Jerusalem – Dead Sea – Jerusalem – Ben-Gurion Airport

Breakfast on own at the hotel

8:15 AM Depart for Masada and Dead Sea

En route: *Making the Desert Bloom – Israel's
 Experience in Eco-Agriculture in Arid
 Areas*

Discussion of Israeli advances in fighting the
 growth of desert areas

10:30 AM Tour of Masada National Archeological Site

12:30 PM Lunch and Exploration of the Dead Sea
 Region
 - at Hod Hotel

2:30 PM Depart for Jerusalem

4:30 PM Return to hotel

6:00 PM Check out and depart for dinner

7:00 PM *Bringing It All Together: The Importance of
 the U.S.-Israel Relationship*
 Closing dinner with Jerusalem Staff
 - at Ester's

9:00 PM Depart for the Airport

11:40 PM Flight departs from Tel Aviv

Sunday, February 27, 2011

4:50 AM Flight arrives in Newark, NJ

9:01 AM Flight departs from Newark, NJ

10:26 PM Flight arrives in Washington, DC

U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS
Washington, DC 20515

February 7, 2011

Ms. Angela Ramirez
Office of the Honorable Ben Ray Lujan
330 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Ramirez:

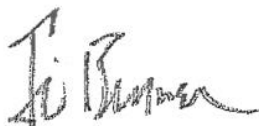
Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel scheduled for February 19 to 27, 2011, sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation.

You must complete a Member Travel Disclosure Form and file it with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are required to attach a copy of this letter and the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, including attachments. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$335 from a single source on Schedule VII of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act, gifts "of minimal value [currently \$335] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of \$335 received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Jo Bonner
Chairman



Linda T. Sanchez
Ranking Member

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U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM
(provide directly to each House invitee)

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers or employees under House Rule XXV, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee.

Private sponsors are urged to submit this form to each House invitee at least 30 days before travel is scheduled to begin. The failure to provide the Committee with adequate time to review the form and attachments may result in the invitee not receiving approval for the trip. The submission of an incomplete form will delay the review process. Before completing this form, sponsors are urged to carefully review the Committee's private travel guidelines and advisory memoranda detailing the rules and restrictions for private travel, as well as the instructions for completing this form. Sponsors should call the Committee with any questions prior to submitting the form. Please type form.

1. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a federally-registered lobbyist or a registered foreign agent (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒
3. I represent that the trip sponsor(s) has not accepted from any other source funds earmarked directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒ please see addendum
4. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
5. Provide names and titles of ALL House invitees; for each invitee, provide explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary): Please see attached
Please see attached
6. Dates of travel: February 19-27, 2011
7. Cities of departure - destination - return: Washington DC - Tel Aviv - Washington DC
8. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities taking place during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities) (signify "yes" by checking box): ☒
9. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☐ or
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist or registered foreign agent: ☒ or
 - c. The trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations. ☐
10. If travel is for participation in a one-day event (i.e., if you checked Question 9(c)), check one of the following:
 - a. One-night's lodging and meals are being offered: ☐ or
 - b. Two-nights' lodging and meals are being offered: ☐If "b" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: _____

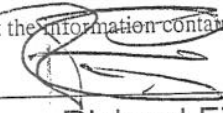
11. If the trip is not sponsored by an institution of higher education, I represent that a federally-registered lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (*signify "yes" by checking box*): ☒
12. Private sponsors must have a direct and immediate relationship to the purpose of the trip or location being visited. Describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip: _____
AIEF's fundamental purpose is to maintain and further the relationship between the U.S. and Israel.
AIEF is solely responsible for recruiting, coordinating, executing and funding all aspects of the trip.
13. Describe each sponsor's organizational interest in the purpose of the trip: _____
AIEF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with the mission of providing educational programming about the U.S.-Israel relationship.
14. Describe the type and class of the transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first-class transportation will be provided. In addition, for travel via aircraft, please indicate if travel is being offered on a commercial flight, chartered flight or on an aircraft operated or paid for by a carrier not licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration to operate for compensation or hire (*i.e.*, a private aircraft). If first-class fare is being provided, or if travel is via chartered or private aircraft, please provide an explanation describing why such travel is warranted: _____
Business class on a commercial airline.
15. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (*signify "yes" by checking box*): ☒
16. I represent that either (*check one of the following*):
a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☐ *or*
b. The trip involves events that are arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation: ☒
If "b" is checked, detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \$114
17. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: The trip will take place in Israel in order to educate Congressional staff about the U.S.-Israel relationship.
18. Name of hotel or other lodging facility: Inbal Jerusalem; Sheraton Tel Aviv; Galei Kinneret Tiberias
19. Cost per night of hotel or other lodging facility (approximate cost may be provided): _____
Inbal Jerusalem \$300; Sheraton Tel Aviv \$242; Galei Kinneret Tiberias \$196
20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility: Location and affordability

21. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$4357.55 air/\$242.50 ground	\$1638	\$800
For each accompanying family member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$1501	Please see addendum
For each accompanying family member		

22. I represent that reimbursement for miscellaneous travel expenses for the trip, such as travel to and from airports, security costs, interpreter fees, visa application fees, and similar expenses, will be for actual costs incurred and are necessary for the purpose of the trip (*signify "yes" by checking box*): ☒
23. I certify that the ~~information contained~~ information in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name and title: Richard Fishman, Executive Director

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)

Address: 251 H Street NW, Washington DC 20001

Telephone number: (202) 639-5233

Fax number: (202) 347-5232

Email Address: rfishman@aiefdn.org

The Committee staff may contact the above individual above if additional information is required.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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Washington, DC 20515
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(202) 225-7392 (general fax)
(202) 226-7172 (fax for travel approvals)

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U.S. Senior Congressional Staff
February 19-27, 2011
Addendum

3. Our Congressional trip program is funded entirely by unrestricted donations made by our members to either our general operating fund or to our general trip fund.

21. Specific nature of other expenses:

- Security
- Tour Guide
- Entrance Fees
- Speaker Fees
- Room Rentals
- Tour guides/security/drivers/speakers hotels and meals
- Tips

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House Invitees

FIRST	LAST	EXPLANATION
Johnny	Amaral	Chief of Staff for Rep. Devin Nunes (R-CA). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Jennifer	Arangio	Senior Counsel for the relevant House Republican Homeland Security Committee.
John	Ariale	Chief of Staff for Rep. Ander Crenshaw (R-FL), who serves on the relevant House Appropriations Committee.
I. Lanier	Avant	Chief of Staff for Rep. Bennie Thompson (D-MS), who serves on the relevant House Homeland Security Committee.
Elizabeth	Bartheld	Chief of Staff for Rep. John Sullivan (R-OK). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Jim	Brandell	Chief of Staff for Rep. Dave Camp (R-MI). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Mark	Chenoweth	Chief of Staff for Rep. Mike Pompeo (R-KS). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Lisa	Cohen	Chief of Staff for Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Jason	Cole	Chief of Staff for Rep. Jim Himes (D-CT), who serves on the relevant House Homeland Security Committee.
Julie	Eddy	Chief of Staff for Rep. Doris Matsui (D-CA). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Eric	Feldman	Chief of Staff for Rep. Gary Peters (D-MI). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Kevin	Fogarty	Chief of Staff for Rep. Peter King (R-NY), who serves on the relevant House Financial Services Committee and Chairs the House Homeland Security Committee.
Anthony "Tony"	Green	Chief of Staff for Rep. Gwen Moore (D-WI). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Ashley	Jones	Chief of Staff for Rep. John Barrow (D-GA). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.

Julia	Massimino	Chief of Staff for Rep. Howard Berman (D-CA), who serves on the relevant House Foreign Affairs Committee.
James	Min	Chief of Staff for Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Adam	Pase	Executive Director of the House Democratic Coalition. AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Tracie	Pough	Chief of Staff for Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Angela	Ramirez	Chief of Staff for Rep. Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Joshua	Rogin	Chief of Staff for Rep. Ted Deutch (D-FL), who serves on the relevant House Foreign Affairs Committee.
George	Shevlin	Executive Director of the House Democratic Caucus. AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Steve	Vermillion	Chief of Staff for Rep. David Rivera (R-FL), who serves on the relevant House Foreign Affairs Committee.
Stan	White	Chief of Staff for Rep. Robert Brady (D-PA), who serves on the relevant House Armed Services Committee.
Tonya	Williams	Chief of Staff for Rep. G.K. Butterfield (D-NC). AIEF strives to provide educational programming to all Congressional staff that advise members of Congress on relevant issue areas.
Joby	Young	Chief of Staff for Rep. Austin Scott (R-GA), who serves on the relevant House Armed Services Committee.

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 - Tel Aviv

12:30 PM Depart for Better Place

1:00 PM *Israel's Transition to Sustainable Transportation*
 -Tour of Better Place facility
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 sustainable transportation.

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 Part One: Outlying Neighborhoods & the Security Barrier
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6:30 PM *Setting the Stage*
Welcome and Orientation

7:00 PM *The Pulse of Israel Today*
Dinner with David Horovitz,
Editor, *The Jerusalem Post*

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

MONDAY, FEB. 21, 2011

8:00 AM *A View From the Prime Minister's Office*
Breakfast with Mark Regev,
International Media Advisor to the Prime Minister

9:30 AM *Strategic Survey of Jerusalem*
Part Two: The Old City and the Holy Basin
Lunch en route

3:45 PM Strategic Survey ends
Depart for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

4:30 PM *Israeli Perspective on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*
Discussion with David Segal,
COS in the Deputy Foreign Minister's Office

5:30 PM Depart / return to hotel

7:00 PM Departure

7:30 PM *Israel and Its Neighbors: Political and Military Perspectives*
Dinner with Avi Issacharoff and Amos Harel,
Arab Affairs Correspondent and
Military Correspondent, *Ha'aretz* Daily

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

TUESDAY, FEB. 22, 2011

- 7:30 AM *Regional Threats Assessment & Terror Financing*
Breakfast with Paul Good, National Security Council
- 8:15 AM Depart for Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and Museum
- 8:45 AM *Remembering the Victims of the Holocaust*
Guided Tour of Yad Vashem
- 11:00 AM Departure
- 11:30 AM *Ingathering of exiles: Israel Integrates New Immigrants*
Visit to Mevasseret Zion Immigrant Absorption Center
Tour and discussion with staff and new immigrants
- 12:30 PM Departure
- 1:00 PM *Palestinian Perspective on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*
Lunch with Representatives of the Palestinian
Negotiating Unit of the PLO
- 2:30 PM Depart for the Knesset
- 3:30 PM *The Israeli Political Scene*
Meetings with Members of Knesset
- 5:00 PM Depart / return to hotel
- 7:00 PM *The Palestinian Street*
Coffee with Khaled Abu Toameh
Palestinian Affairs Correspondent, *The Jerusalem Post*

8:15 PM *Israel's Hi-Tech Miracle*
Dinner with Saul Singer
Author, *Start Up Nation*

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

WEDNESDAY, FEB 23, 2011

7:00 AM Wake-up Call / Bring Luggage Down / Check-Out

8:15 AM *Democracy Facing Asymmetrical Threats*
and Deligitimization Concerns
Breakfast with Attorney Daniel Reisner
Herzog Fox Ne'eman
Former Legal Advisor, Israel Defense Forces

9:30 AM Departure / travel South

11:00 AM *Gaza – Israel Border:*
Living Under the Threat of Qassam Rocket Fire
- Tour of the Town of Sderot
- Strategic Overlook
- Lunch at Kibbutz Kfar Aza

1:15 PM Departure

2:00 PM *Israel's Missile Defense*
Visit to the IDF Base at Palmachim

3:15 PM Departure / travel to Tel Aviv

4:30 PM *Regional Threats Assessment*
Briefing with a Senior IDF Officer
- At the Ministry of Defense

5:45 PM Departure / check-in at Tel Aviv Sheraton Hotel

7:00 PM Depart for dinner

7:30 PM *The Israeli Mosaic*
Dinner with Israelis from Different Walks of Life

Overnight at Tel Aviv Sheraton Hotel

THURSDAY, FEB 24, 2011

8:00 AM *U.S. Perspective on the Israeli-Palestinian Negotiations*
Breakfast with Robert Silverman
Political Counselor, U.S. Embassy

9:30 AM Departure / travel North

10:30 AM *Israel's Quest for Defensible Borders*
Visit to the Settlement of Alfei Menashe

11:15 AM Departure

12:30 PM *Residential Education for Youth at Risk in Israel*
Visit to the Yemin Orde Youth Village
- Lunch with the students

2:00 PM Departure

4:00 PM *Northern Border Concerns*
IDF Briefing on Israel's Border with Lebanon

5:00 PM Departure

6:30 PM Check-in at Galei Kinneret Hotel in Tiberias on the Shores of the Sea of Galilee

7:30 PM Depart for Dinner at Decks Restaurant

Overnight at the Galei Kinneret Hotel

FRIDAY, FEB. 25, 2011

7:30 AM Breakfast on own at the hotel

8:30 AM Departure

9:00 AM Visit to Sites of Religious and Historical Significance Around the Sea of Galilee

11:00 AM Travel Up the Golan Heights

12:00 PM *Israel's Border with Syria*
Strategic Briefing

1:00 PM Lunch

2:00 PM Visit to Beit She'an Archeological Site (time permitting)

3:00 PM Travel back to Jerusalem via the Jordan Valley
Israel's Strategic Relations with the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

5:00 PM *Welcome the Sabbath at the Western Wall*

5:30 PM Check-in at the Inbal Hotel

7:30 PM *Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem*
Tradition Sabbath Eve Dinner

Overnight at the Inbal Hotel

SATURDAY, FEB. 26, 2011

7:30 AM	Breakfast on own at the hotel
8:15 AM	Depart for Masada and the Dead Sea
On the Way:	<i>Making the Desert Bloom – Israel's Experience in Eco-Agriculture in Arid Areas</i> Discussion of Advances in Fighting the Expansion of Desert Areas
10:30 AM	<i>Geopolitics of the Roman Empire – Lessons for Today</i> Visit to Masada National Park
12:30 PM	<i>Lunch and Exploration of the Dead Sea Region</i>
2:30 PM	Departure / travel back to Jerusalem
4:30 PM	Return to hotel
6:00 PM	Check-out and Depart for Closing Dinner
7:00 PM	<i>Bringing It All Together: the Importance of the U.S. – Israel Relationship</i> Closing dinner
9:00 PM	Depart for the Airport
11:40 PM	Flight departs from Tel Aviv

SUNDAY, FEB. 27, 2011

4:50 AM Flight arrives in Newark, NJ

9:01 AM Flight departs from Newark, NJ

10:26 AM Flight arrives in Washington, D.C.